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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BAUER VISITS WITH
SENIORS AT THE SC STATE FAIR

(Columbia) - As part of Seniors Day at the 2004 South Carolina State Fair, Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer took time to meet with dozens of seniors who made the fair a part of their day. Lt. Governor Bauer, who is now head of the state's Office on Aging, also presented the grand prize to this year's winner of the Palmetto Health Senior Showcase, a talent competition organized by the Columbia-based hospital system.

"I had a marvelous time visiting with folks at the fair," Bauer said. "I always look forward to this time of year, and now that my office has such direct contact with seniors, it makes it that much more special. Interacting with people, letting them know what the Office on Aging is all about is really the best way to promote senior issues in South Carolina."

After greeting people inside one of the fair's exhibit halls, Mr. Bauer awarded a \$200 grand prize to Willie Long, who was terrific as a singer in the talent competition. Mr. Bauer made a few brief remarks to the assembled talent show audience, and then headed out on the Midway to enjoy a smoked turkey leg for lunch. "You've got to enjoy the entire experience when you go to the South Carolina State Fair," Bauer added with a smile.

The Lieutenant Governor's office assumed direction of the State Bureau of Senior Services in July, renaming it the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging. This move gives South Carolina seniors another prominent voice in government and allows for more accountability in the office.